

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION
11020 Sun Center Drive #200, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
concerning

**TENTATIVE NPDES PERMIT RENEWAL
GENERAL WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS
NPDES PERMIT CAG135001
FOR
COLD WATER CONCENTRATED
AQUATIC ANIMAL PRODUCTION FACILITY DISCHARGERS
TO SURFACE WATERS**

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) currently regulates surface water discharges from fish hatcheries pursuant to the above referenced General Waste Discharge Requirements (General Order). This General Order applies to individuals, public agencies, private businesses, and other legal entities that operate facilities that meet the definition of a cold water concentrated aquatic animal production (CAAP) facility, as defined in section 122.24 of Title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations, and that discharge to surface water bodies.

The General Order expires on 31 December 2019. A proposed NPDES permit renewal has been developed for reissuance of the General Order that includes minimal changes from the current General Order.

Dischargers that are currently covered by General Order R5-2014-0161 would automatically be granted continued coverage under the renewed General Order. The Central Valley Water Board, however, is planning to issue updated Notice of Applicability letters to existing dischargers.

A public hearing concerning this matter will be held during the Central Valley Water Board meeting scheduled for:

DATE: 5/6 December 2019

TIME: 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board Room
11020 Sun Center Drive, #200
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

Only designated parties will have these rights: to call and examine witnesses; to introduce exhibits; to cross-examine opposing witnesses; to impeach any witness; and to rebut the evidence against him or her. All other persons wishing to testify or provide comments are interested persons and not designated parties. Such interested persons may request status as a designated party for purposes of this hearing by submitting such request in writing to the Central Valley Water Board no later than **5:00 p.m. on 23 October 2019**. The request must explain the basis for status as a designated party and in particular how the person is directly affected by the discharge.

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TENTATIVE GENERAL NPDES PERMIT RENEWAL
COLD WATER CAAP FACILITY DISCHARGES TO SURFACE WATERS

Persons wishing to comment on this noticed hearing item shall submit testimony, evidence, if any, and/or comments in writing to the Central Valley Water Board email at RB5S-NPDES-Comments@waterboards.ca.gov no later than **5:00 p.m.** on **23 October 2019**. Written evidence or comments submitted after **5:00 p.m.** on **23 October 2019** will not be accepted and will not be incorporated into the administrative record absent a ruling by the Board Chair. Any person requesting to submit late materials must demonstrate good cause for the late submission, and the Chair must find that accepting the late submission will not prejudice the Central Valley Water Board or any Designated Party.

All designated parties and interested persons may speak at the Central Valley Water Board meeting, and are expected to orally summarize their written submittals. Oral testimony and cross examination will be limited in time by the Board Chair.

Anyone having questions regarding the hearing item should contact Kari Holmes at (916) 464-4848 or Kari.Holmes@waterboards.ca.gov. Interested persons may contact Kari Holmes to obtain a copy of the tentative amending Order and related documents. Copies of these documents can also be obtained by contacting or visiting the Central Valley Water Board's office at 11020 Sun Center Drive, #200, Rancho Cordova, California 95670-6114 weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. **The [final meeting agenda](#) (http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/) will be available at least 10 days before the meeting. The agenda will provide the specific date the Board Meeting will be held for this item, indicate the anticipated order of all agenda items, and may include staff revisions to the proposed order.**

The [procedures governing Central Valley Water Board meetings](#) (http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/laws_regulations/) may be found at Title 23, California Code of Regulations, Section 647 et seq. and are available upon request. Hearings before the Central Valley Water Board are not conducted pursuant to Government Code section 11500 et seq. [Information regarding meeting and hearing procedures](#) is also available on the Central Valley Water Board's website (http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_info/meetings/mtgprocd.shtml) or by contacting any one of the Central Valley Water Board's offices. Questions regarding such procedures should be directed to Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839.

The hearing facilities will be accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals requiring special accommodations are requested to contact Ms. Kiran Lanfranchi-Rizzardi at (916) 464-4839 at least 5 working days prior to the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.

Please bring the above information to the attention of anyone you know who would be interested in this matter.

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY JAMES MARSHALL FOR

ADAM LAPUTZ, Assistant Executive Officer
23 September 2019